SENATE BILL NO. 119-COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF ATTORNEY GENERAL)

FEBRUARY 4, 1999

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Requires public employer to pay annual membership fees charged by State Bar of Nevada for certain attorneys employed by public employer. (BDR 1-291)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes.

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Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: Yes.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to attorneys; requiring a public employer to pay the annual membership fees charged by the State Bar of Nevada for certain attorneys employed by the public employer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** Chapter 7 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 1. Each year a public employer shall pay the annual membership fee charged by the State Bar of Nevada for an attorney who is employed by
- the public employer, unless the attorney is compensated during the year
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- 6 by a source other than the public employer for legal services whether or
- 7 not the legal services are provided on a part-time, full-time, temporary or 8 permanent basis.
- 9 2. After a public employer pays the annual membership fee charged by the State Bar of Nevada for an attorney pursuant to subsection 1, if
- the attorney quits, is terminated or accepts compensation for legal
- 12 services from another source during the year for which the membership
- 13 fee was paid, the attorney shall reimburse the public employer a pro rata
- share of the membership fee for the remainder of the year.

- 3. As used in this section, "public employer" means any agency,
 board, bureau, commission, department or division of the State of
 Nevada or any political subdivision thereof.
 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 1999.